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A circular has been issued by W. H. Scott who says he is president of the Huron and Quebec Railway.—Listen for a moment to the gist of what he says:

1*st.* "*It is no matter who Fowler is.*" That is singular. Does he expect us to vote $125,000 to a man of straw and who is called in the west a "Railway Lunatic"? A man who if reports are true is a Railway trickster. He, *Scott* evidently thinks we lack common sense.

2*nd. He says the line via Perth is only five miles longer.* Suppose it was true, but it is not, why even then, according to their own showing it would cost $150,000 more than the direct line. BUT IT IS TEN MILES FARTHER, you have to cross Drummond diagonally to get to Perth, and then cross Bathurst and Sherbroke northward to the direct line. Will any one with common sense tell us we can do this without losing ten miles? Certainly not. *Ten miles means* $300,000 more than the direct line, or three times as much as Perth gives, are we to lend ourselves to such a scheme for the purpose of injuring our own village! I hope not.

3rd. He says the County Peterboro pays $150,000. It is false—read the By-Law for yourselves and you will see what I say is true. Parliament did confine this by-law to the Grand Junction, and Scott, the President, fought against it, for he knew it made the Peterborough by law a farce.

4. He propounds a financial basis. So far as the circular by "Drummond" not being enough, *it is too much.* Scott says $1,375,000. *Is he mad too?* It looks like it.

Toronto is not likely to give a dollar Ottawa has already refused. County Victoria has not, and will not give a cent. And as to getting $200,000. from Hastings it is too absurd to answer. $1,375,000 for sooth! why, $400,000 is nearer the truth.

5. Under this head he is too absurd to answer.

6. He has been communicating with Ottawa and Toronto, and so have I, and they decline to have anything to do with this man Fowler, or with Scott. They want men who have capital—not railway speculators.

7th. Here he refers to workshops, my answer is, read the "Peterboro By-Law" it will show how unreliable his statements are.

8. As a quibble, *what has been suggested is true.* There will be no separate line coming into Perth. Common sense would teach this.

Electors of Carleton Place, don't be gulled by Perth and Peterborough influence. Look to your own interests. *Have a direct line or none at all, and if you stick to it you will get it.* Rally to the polls, vote down this by law, and send Scott and Fowler home to Peterborough, to attend to legitimate business, and not bogus railway enterprises.

AN ELECTOR.

Carleton Place, Feb. 24th, 1876.